GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3181
ANSWERED ON:15.03.2000
ADOPTION OF DESTITUTE INFANTS AND CHILDREN
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL;SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL)

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have drawn out a plan for the upliftment of destitute neglected and orphan children;

(b) whether the Government have set up a Central Adoption Resource Agency(CARA) to encourage adoption of destitute infants and children;

(c) if so, number of children adopted under the programme during the last three years and financial assistance provided under the scheme for running homes for destitute infants, year-wise;

(d) the names of the companies that have agreed to contribute in these schemes; and

(e) the reasons for poor implementation of the Scheme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

SMT. MANEKA GANDHI

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) Number of children adopted during the last three years:-

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Year  In country  Inter-country


1997  1330   1026
1998  1746   1406
1999  1539   1267
Grant released in Shishu Griha Scheme:
Year  Amount (Rs. In crores)


1997-98 0.77
1998-99 1.29
1999-2000 1.07 upto 28.2.2000
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(d) No such offer has been received by the Government.

(e) The scheme is being implemented satisfactory.